

Date: August 24, 2005

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Serald R. Miller, City Manager

Subject: Updated City Council Budget Concerns

Per the request of the City Council, the following is an updated list of concerns and suggestions originally voiced by the City Council regarding the Fiscal Year 2006 (FY 06) Proposed Budget during the August 16, 2005 Budget Workshop and amended at the August 23, 2005 Budget Workshop.

Mayor O'Neill:

- Provide Fireworks Funding
- Provide Non-General Fund Support for an 8-Week Municipal Band Season
- Concern for Library Educational Programming and Youth-related Services

Councilmember Lowenthal:

- Provide Non-General Fund Support for an 8-Week Municipal Band Season
- Concern for PAL and DARE Programs
- Concern for Main and North Library Additional Day Reduction

Councilmember Baker:

- Support City-provided Fireworks Funding
- Support Additional Police Officers

Councilmember Colonna:

- Provide Fireworks Funding
- Provide Non-General Fund Support for an 8-Week Municipal Band Season
- Concern for PAL and DARE Programs

Councilmember O'Donnell:

- Support Additional Police Officers
- Reinstate PAL, Offset by Alternate Reductions
- Find Alternative to Nature Center Reduction (Supports Cutting Something Else in an Equal Amount to Restored Cuts)

Councilmember Richardson:

- Potential Impacts of School District Reductions on City Services and After School Programs
- Tidelands Fund Dependent on Payment from Queen Mary to Remain Balanced
- Continue to Explore Ideas as Necessary Offsets to Potential Restorations

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Councilmember Uranga:

- Provide Fireworks Funding
- Streets in Poor Condition in Need of Replacement Should be Considered When Funding is Available
- Potential Impacts of School District Reductions on City Services and After School Programs
- Provide Non-General Fund Support for Municipal Band Season
- When Considering Police Department Staffing Increases, Provide Resources to Motor Patrol as First Line of Defense Against Increasing Traffic Citywide

Councilmember Gabelich:

- Concern for PAL and DARE Programs (especially with School District Reductions)
- Provide Non-General Fund Support for an 8-Week Municipal Band Season
- Concern for Nature Center Reduction
- Concern for Police Civilian Budget Reduction
- Provide Adequate Funding for Police Support Services

Councilmember Lerch:

Councilmember Lerch's concerns are subsumed in those mentioned above

I look forward to discussing these and other issues over the next several weeks at the scheduled series of budget workshops and hearings. Your input is critical to the successful adoption and implementation of the FY 06 Budget and the fulfillment of our shared responsibility to financial sustainability.

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